Resolution to approve the Consent Order regarding the Ohio EPA Director's Final Findings and Orders (DFFO)

(Sanitary Engineering)

WHEREAS, the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency has issued 'Findings and Orders' to Franklin County Board of Commissioners, and the orders do not include a monetary penalty; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code sections 6111.03, 6111.46, and 3745.01 grants the authority to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to issue 'Finding and Orders'; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County owns and operates a water distribution system in Sanitary District #4 provided via a master metered account from the Columbus Public Utilities; and

WHEREAS, the valves of the aging water distribution system have failed or are failing, impeding adequate flushing of the system; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Sanitary Engineering has represented to the Ohio EPA that it has implemented the Sanitary District #4 Valve Replacement Project to promote modern flushing protocols by June 2016; and

WHEREAS, both the Department's valve replacement project as well as the Backflow and Cross Connection Program will address the Orders as written; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

- 1. That the Franklin County Board of Commissioners approve the Consent Order, attached hereto as Exhibit A, entitled the Ohio EPA "Director's Final Findings and Orders."
- 2. That the President is authorized to execute the Consent Order, entitled the Ohio EPA "Director's Final Findings and Orders," on behalf of the Franklin County Commissioners.

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